#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Elizabeth A. McGrath, of Virginia, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer, Michael J. McCord, of Virginia, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Comptroller, Sharon E. Burke, of Maryland, to be Director of Operational Energy Plans and Programs, Solomon B. Watson IV, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, and Katherine Hammack, of Arizona, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army, all of the Department of Defense, and Donald L. Cook, of Washington, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, and 2,799 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

# AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine the National Park Service's implementations of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, after receiving testimony from C. Bruce Sheaffer, Comptroller, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, after receiving testimony from Gregory B. Jaczko, Chairman, and Kristine L. Svinicki, George Apostolakis, Wiliam D. Magwood, IV, and William C. Ostendorff, each a Commssioner, all of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Richard Meserve, Bipartisan Policy Center, and George Vanderheyden, UniStar Nuclear Energy, LLC, both of Washington, D.C.; Peter A. Bradford, Vermont Law School, South Royalton; and K.P. Singh, Holtec International, Marlton, New Jersey.

### TERRORISTS AND GUNS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine terrorists and guns, focusing on the nature of the threat and proposed reforms, and if the FBI has enhanced its use of information from firearm and explosives background checks to support counterterrorism efforts, after receiving testimony from Senator Lautenberg; Representative Peter King; Daniel D. Roberts, Assistant Director, Criminal Justice Information Services, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Eileen R. Larence, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Account-

ability Office; Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, and Raymond W. Kelly, Police Commissioner, both of New York, New York; Sandy Jo MacArthur, Los Angeles Assistant Chief of Police, Los Angeles, California; and Aaron Titus, Liberty Coalition, Washington, D.C.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the the nominations of Joshua Gotbaum, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Eduardo M. Ochoa, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Postsecondary Education, James L. Taylor, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor, Robert Wedgeworth, of Illinois, Carla D. Hayden, of Illinois, John Coppola, of Florida, Winston Tabb, of Maryland, and Lawrence J. Pijeaux, Jr., of Alabama, all to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board, and Jonathan Andrew Hatfield, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service.

### VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the increased importance of the Violence Against Women Act in a time of economic crisis, after receiving testimony from Susan B. Carbon, Director, Office of Violence Against Women, Department of Justice; Auburn Watersong, Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, Montpelier; Lolita Ulloa, Hennepin County Attorney's Office Victim Services Division, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Richard J. Gelles, University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Practice, Philadelphia.

#### **VOTING BY MAIL**

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine voting by mail, focusing on state and local experiences, after receiving testimony from Senator Wyden; Representative Susan Davis; Kate Brown, Oregon Secretary of State, Salem; and John C. Fortier, American Enterprise Institute, and Rokey W. Suleman, II, District of Columbia Board of Elections and Ethics, both of Washington, D.C.

### TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine traumatic brain injury (TBI), focusing on progress in treating the signature wounds of the current conflicts, after receiving testimony from Lucille Beck, Chief Consultant, Office of Rehabilitation Services, Office of Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration,